

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION
CINCINNATI, OH

Ohio Justice and Policy Center
Plaintiff,

vs.

Annette Chambers Smith, et al.
Defendants.

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) Case No:
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) Judge:
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) Magistrate Judge:
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) DECLARATION OF DENNIS POINTER
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I, Dennis Pointer, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746, declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

1. I am of sound mind and have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.
2. This statement was made on 2/28/25, dictated to Attorney Angela Larsen at the Lebanon Correctional Facility, where I am incarcerated. My inmate ID is 280-895.
3. I received confidential legal mail on 1/3/2025. I was given a pass to the mailroom. The mail was from OJPC.
4. When I arrived, I was told to sign a paper indicating I had received it.
5. The mail was already open.
6. The mail was already copied.
7. I did not witness the opening or photocopying.

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8. I was not given a self-addressed stamped envelope, but the letter from OJPC said an envelope was enclosed.
9. I did not witness the original being shredded.
10. I do not know what happened to the original.
11. I know I received a photocopy because mailroom staff ~~take~~^{took} paper out of the copier and handed the paper to me.
12. Approximately a week ago, I received a second letter from OJPC that was legal mail.
13. I went to the mailroom and legal mail was again instructed to sign for the clipboard
14. ~~As I was signing for the mail,~~
After I signed for the mail, I received some paper from mailroom staff.
15. I did not see mailroom staff open the letter.
16. ~~the~~ Mailroom staff showed me a letter outside of the envelope, and then copied the letter while I was signing for the mail.
17. I was given the photocopy. I do not know if the original was shredded.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dennis Pointer #280-895

Dennis Pointer